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Re: MUR 5416 Complaint Against Wayne Christian for Congress Committee

Dear General Counsel:

Please accept this letter as the opportunity for the Wayne Christian for Congress Committee to demonstrate that no action should be taken on the basis of the above referenced complaint.

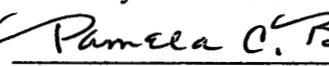
I have not transferred any funds or assets from my state campaign account to my federal committee.

1. I announced my candidacy for the office of United States Representative at the end of October, 2003. I continue in the office of state representative until January 2005. In my position as state representative I continue to incur officeholder expenses. All expenditures reported on the state candidate/officeholder report covering October, November and December 2003 were specifically and directly related to my duties as a Texas State Representative. None of the expenditures related to my campaign for federal office. All expenses related to my campaign for federal office were properly reported on the appropriate FEC report.
2. Under guidelines of Texas Ethics Commission I purchased a used 1999 Lexus automobile for use in my officeholder activities as a Texas State Representative. Appropriate payments for use of the vehicle were made for every mile the auto was used for any congressional campaign activity. The congressional account appropriately paid for each campaign use. There was no improper use of the vehicle.
3. My congressional campaign website has my mailing address: 204 Houston Street, Center, Texas 75935, which is the only address for my building in Center, Texas. This building houses my private office, state office, and congressional campaign office. I furnish the space to the state and congressional campaign at no charge. The Austin office address was posted in error and was removed as soon as we noticed the mistake. However, please be aware that no business for the congressional campaign was ever conducted from Austin and no campaign mail was received at that address. In fact, the Austin office has been closed for much of the campaign, with all state legislative business being handled from the district office. Thus, the address posted was to a closed office and was corrected as soon as possible.
4. As a state officeholder Texas law permits me to use my title, letterhead and the state seal. You will find other Texas congressional candidates doing the same.
5. Please see the answer to question #3. The building I own has the address of 204 Houston Street, Center, Texas 75935. I furnish separate offices inside this building to the congressional campaign and State Representative district office at no charge to either.
6. The loan was from my personal funds to the congressional campaign and has been repaid after 58 days of the loan. All accumulated interest above the loan charges were deposited into the congressional campaign checking account. Such has been reported in full on my filed reports to F.E.C.

I have done nothing wrong or improper. By the way, I was defeated in my primary election.


Wayne Christian

Sworn to and subscribed before me, by Wayne Christian, this the 17th day of March, 2002, to certify which witness my hand and seal of office.


Notary Public, State of Texas

